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1. The stocking factory and the shoe plant at Trebic-Borovina /4913N-1553E/ were founded by J.A. Bata as part of the Bata Concern in 1936. /For the exact location of these factories, see Annex A.7. At that time Bata purchases a tannery at Trebic-Borovina owned by the Budischovsky Firm, which was being liquidated. Bata erected a new power plant, boiler house, and two five-story production buildings, 20 x 80 m. in size. Equipment for the production of standard type stockings and leather footwear was transferred into the new buildings from the Bata Works at Otrokovice /4912N-1732E/ and Zlin, now Gottwaldov. Both factories were originally called Bata, but the stocking factory was renamed Kotva just prior to the outbreak of World War II; the shoe factory continued to be called Bata. In 1948 both factories bore the name Svit National Enterprise, Gottwaldov, T 2751, 3151. As a result of the reorganization of the former Bata Concern in 1951 and 1952, the stocking factory was incorporated into the textile industry and the shoe plant became independent. [redacted] the present names of the two factories. After 1948 (fnu) Kozenda was manager of both plant; he was later replaced by (fnu) Hajek. After the reorganization in 1951, (fnu) Polacek was appointed manager of the stocking factory. [redacted]

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2. In the summer of 1952, about 900 two-cylinder and about 200 one-cylinder hosiery knitting machines were in operation at the stocking factory /See Annex B/. About 50 of the two-cylinder knitting machines produced winter socks of the Wellington type. These socks were carded on a special machine invented by the Bata Works as early as 1935, which did carding on steel frames. The other equipment of the factory was of the ordinary type.

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3. The stocking and shoe factories employed about 1,000 persons each in the summer of 1952. They had a common designing team consisting of six persons who were headed by (fnu) ~~SV60601A~~.
4. Both factories were unfavorably located in a narrow basin, a fact which precluded the possibility of expansion or the construction of a railroad spur, so that all transport had to be by trucks.

Annexes: A. Shoe Plant, Stocking Factory, and Kovosvit National Corporation in Trebic  
B. Circular One-Cylinder Hosiery Knitting Machines

Comment: The shoe factory is now probably named Gustav Kliment Works, National Enterprise (Zavody Gustava Klimenta n.p.), and is under the authority of the Central Administration for the Leather and Shoe Industry (Hlavní správa kožedělného a obuvnického průmyslu), a division of the Ministry of Light Industry. This name has appeared in the Czech newspapers as a shoe factory in Trebic-Borovina, there was only one shoe factory in the town.

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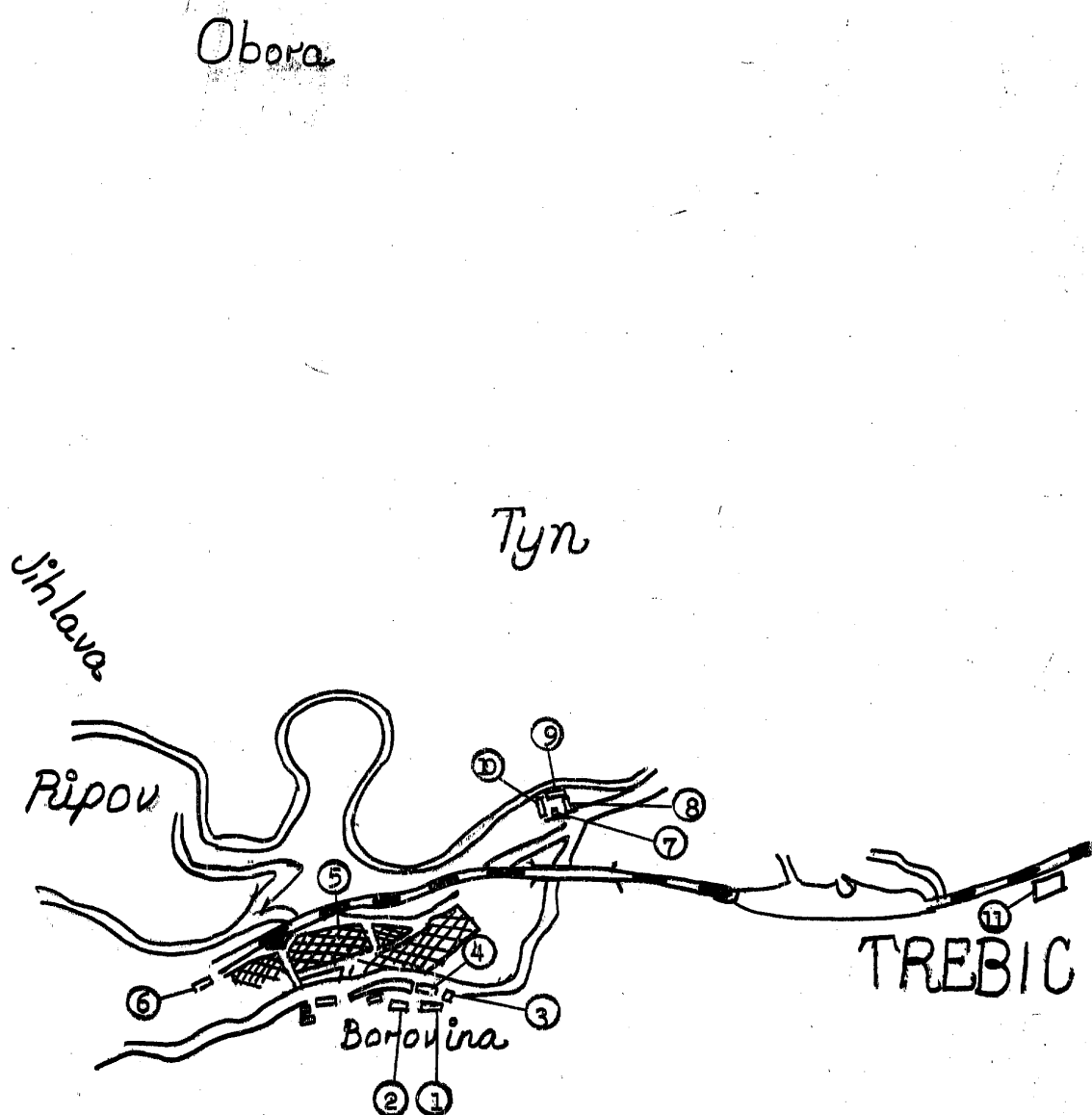
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Shoe Plant, Stocking Factory, and Kovosvit National Corporation in Trebic

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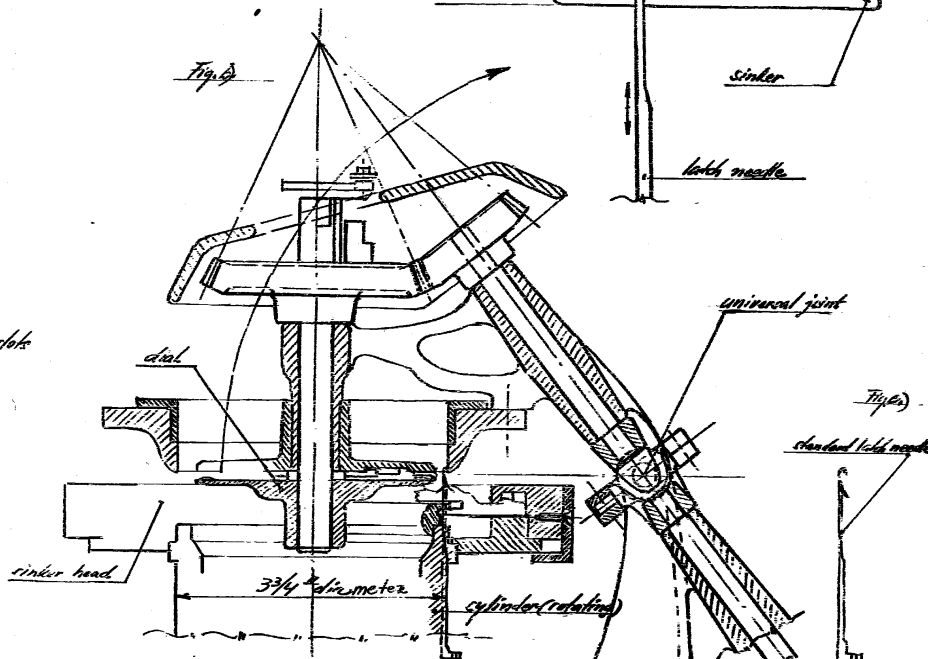
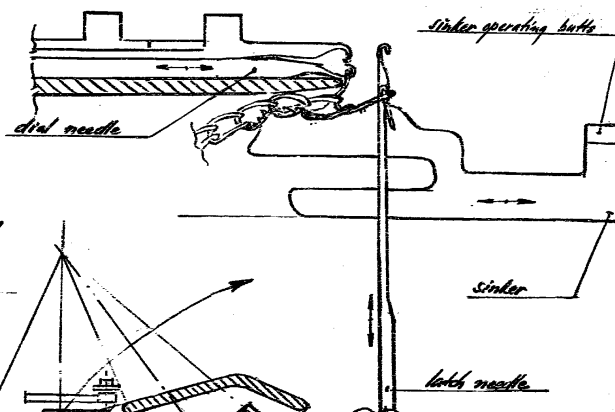
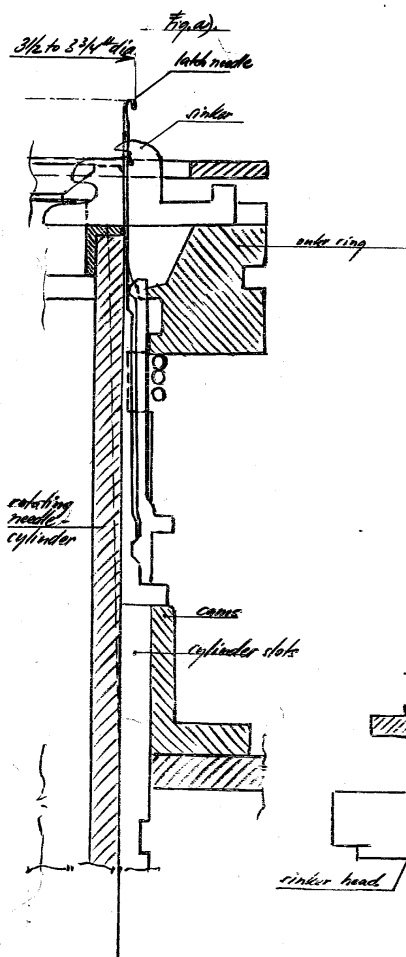
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Legend

1. Shoe plant
2. Stocking factory, production hall
3. Power house
4. Dyeworks and various departments of the stocking factory
5. Workers' residences
6. Railroad station, Ripov
7. Kovosvit National Corporation
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11. Approximate location of the scheduled new Kovosvit plant.

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**CIRCULAR ONE-CYLINDER Hosiery Knitting Machines**  
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